



CITY OF KIRKLAND

INVITATION TO BID

Notice is hereby given that the City of Kirkland will receive sealed bids in the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 123 Fifth Avenue, Kirkland, Washington, at 3:00 pm local time on September 12, 2014 for the project hereinafter referred to as:

EMS/Technical Rescue Jackets Job No. 42-14-FB

At said time all bids will be opened and publicly read aloud. Incomplete proposals and proposals received after the time stated above will not be considered. Faxed responses are not acceptable.

The City will not sell bid packages. Bid documents and any addenda, including all submittal requirements and specifications, can be found on the City of Kirkland's website at www.kirklandwa.gov (Click on the "Business" tab and the "Request for Proposals" link under "Doing Business with the City".) Call 425-587-3123 if unable to access bid documents online.

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive any informalities in the bidding process, and to make the award to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder as best serves the interests of the City.

The City of Kirkland assures that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity. The City of Kirkland further assures that every effort will be made to ensure non-discrimination in all of its programs and activities, whether those programs are federally funded or not.

No bids may be withdrawn within forty-five (45) days after the actual date of the bid opening.

Barry L. Scott, C.P.M.
Purchasing Agent

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OVERVIEW AND PURPOSE: The City of Kirkland Fire Department is soliciting bids to establish one or more contracts with qualified vendors to furnish new and unused EMS/Technical Rescue Jackets with an initial order for 90 jackets and subsequent orders on an as-needed basis throughout the contract term.

The Technical Specifications were developed from specifications for the Globe Tech Rescue Jacket. Manufacturers and sales distributors of other EMS/Technical Rescue Jackets are welcome to submit bids for equivalent model garments. Proposed jackets should comply with the requirements identified in these Specifications. It is the Respondent's responsibility to identify and explain any deviations from these Specifications.

CONTRACT TERM AND PRICE CONDITIONS: The initial contract shall be for a term of two years, and shall include a renewal option of two additional two-year periods. Pricing shall be firm and fixed for the term of the initial contract. Price adjustments for the additional two-year renewal periods can be agreed upon and made prior to executing renewal agreements.

PLANNED PURCHASES: The City intends to place an initial order for 90 Rescue Jackets in the fourth quarter of 2014. Thereafter, the City anticipates the need for ordering about three jackets a year.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

IFB issued	August 22, 2014
Questions due	September 3 at 4:00 pm PDT
Answers Issued	September 8
Bids due	September 12 at 3:00 pm PDT
Anticipated Award	October 7, 2014

QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS IFB: ALL questions must be submitted in writing (Email is preferred). Questions and answers will be forwarded to all proposing suppliers who provide contact information. In order to make information available to all proposing suppliers, no questions will be entertained after 4:00 pm on September 3, 2014.

Questions regarding the specifications must be addressed to Lt. Joel Bodenman at jbodenman@kirklandwa.gov.

Questions regarding the bidding process must be submitted to Barry Scott, Purchasing Agent at bscott@kirklandwa.gov.

Questions may be mailed to either party at City of Kirkland, 123 5th Ave, Kirkland, WA 98033.

DISTRIBUTION OF BID DOCUMENT AND ADDENDA: This IFB can be downloaded directly from the City of Kirkland's website at www.kirklandwa.gov (Click on "City Purchasing" under "Most Requested".) Those who wish to automatically receive any addenda or a notice of cancellation should provide contact information by emailing Barry Scott, Purchasing Agent, at bscott@kirklandwa.gov. Those who choose not to submit contact information will be solely responsible for monitoring the City's website for any addenda or a notice of cancellation.

BID PREPARATION: Firms submitting bids shall be responsible for any and all costs and/or expenses associated with preparing such proposal.

SUBMISSION OF BID PROPOSALS: All bid proposals must be received no later than **3:00 pm Pacific Time on September 12, 2014**. Bids must be signed by an authorized company representative and submitted in a sealed envelope. Bids must be addressed to:

**City of Kirkland
Attn: Barry Scott, Purchasing Agent
IFB No. 42-14-FB
123 5th Ave
Kirkland, WA 98033**

It is the responsibility of the supplier to be sure the proposals are sent sufficiently ahead of time to be received **no later than 3:00 pm** on the due date. Proposals received after the deadline will not be considered for award of contract.

EVALUATION PROCESS: This is an Invitation for Bids for specific items and our intent is to award the contract to the responsible supplier that submits the lowest responsive bid.

CONTRACT: The contract shall consist of the following documents: The Invitation for Bids (IFB), the accepted bid, any purchase orders issued by the City and any agreed upon written changes to any of the foregoing documents. The contract documents are complimentary and what is called for in any one document shall be binding as if called for by all.

COOPERATIVE PURCHASING: RCW 39.34 allows cooperative purchasing between public agencies in the State of Washington. Public agencies which have filed an Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with the City of Kirkland may purchase from City of Kirkland contracts. The City of Kirkland does not accept any responsibility for purchase orders issued by other public agencies

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS: The supplier shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, and regulations, affecting its performance and hold the Purchaser harmless against any claims arising from the violation thereof.

NONCOLLUSION: The supplier must certify that their firm has not entered into any agreement of any nature whatsoever to fix, maintain, increase or reduce the prices or competition regarding the items covered in this Invitation for Bids. Supplier is to complete the attached Noncollusion affidavit and submit it with the proposal.

PAYMENT TERMS: Net 30 days after delivery, acceptance and receipt of invoice. Acceptance includes inspection and approval by City of Kirkland's Fire Department staff.

FREIGHT TERMS: Quoted price is to include delivery to designated locations. Shipping will be FOB destination and include delivery and installation.

NON-DISCRIMINATION: The City of Kirkland assures that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity.

The City further assures every effort will be made to ensure non-discrimination in all of its programs and activities, whether those programs and activities are federally funded or not.

**TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS
FOR EMS/TECHNICAL RESCUE JACKETS
KIRKLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT**

SCOPE

This specification details design and materials criteria to afford protection to the upper and lower body, excluding head, hands, feet, against adverse environmental effects during Emergency Medical Operations. All materials and construction will meet or exceed NFPA Standard 1999 (current edition) Standard on Protective Clothing for Emergency Medical Operations and NFPA Standard 1951 (current edition) Standard on Protective Clothing for Technical Rescue.

☐ Comply ☐ Exception

SIZES AND MEASUREMENTS

SIZES

The garments shall be labeled using alpha sizes, as follows:

MEASUREMENTS

<i>Chest:</i>	32-34	36-38	40-42	44-46	48-50	52-54	56-58
Alpha designation:	XS	S	M	L	1X	2X	3X

Coat length: Longer style coat back length of 32".

☐ Comply ☐ Exception

REQUIREMENTS

Protective Coat manufactured to this specification shall, meet or exceed the requirements set forth in NFPA 1999 Standard on Protective Clothing for Emergency Medical Operations and NFPA 1951 Standard on Protective Clothing for Technical Rescue, current editions to include all temporary interim amendments.

Where specific information is provided, it is done so to establish a minimum level of quality, design, and/or performance.

It is not the intention of this specification to limit or restrict the use of alternate methods however; where exceptions, deviations or clarifications are noted, a detailed explanation shall be provided describing how they are equal to or greater than the item specified.

☐ Comply ☐ Exception

OUTER SHELL MATERIAL

The outer shell shall be constructed of TENCATE **"BRIGADE™ (DEFENDER) 600"** Nomex® IIIA aramid, also known as "BRIGADE 600" with an approximate weight of 6 oz. per square yard and shall be of plain weave. The shell material must be treated with **SST™ (SUPER SHELLTITE)** which is a durable water-repellent finish that also enhances abrasion resistance. Bids offering this shell material without the SST™ will not be considered. Color of garments to be black.

_____Comply _____Exception

MOISTURE BARRIER

The **Crosstech S/R** moisture barrier material shall be a 5.0 oz. per square yard two-layer laminate comprised of a bicomponent membrane laminated to a liner fabric substrate. The bicomponent membrane shall be comprised of an expanded PTFE (polytetrafluoroethylene, for example Teflon) matrix having a continuous hydrophilic (i.e. water loving) and oleophobic (i.e. oil hating) coating that is impregnated into the matrix. The moisture barrier material shall meet all moisture barrier requirements of NFPA 1951-current edition. The moisture barrier shall be used as a hung liner under a durable outer-shell material. Further mention of "Specified Moisture Barrier" in this specification shall refer to this section. A 7.5 inch by 9.5 inch pocket, constructed of shell material, shall be affixed to the inside of the coat liner on the left side by means of a lock stitch.

_____Comply _____Exception

COAT CONSTRUCTION:

STITCHING

The outer shell shall be assembled using stitch type #301, #401 and #516. The moisture barrier shall be assembled using stitch type #301 and #516. Stitching in all seams shall be continuous. There shall be no joined stitching in midseam. All major A outer shell structural seams, major B structural liner seams, and minor seams including but not limited to pockets, flaps, and material reinforcements, shall have a minimum of 8 to 10 stitches per inch.

_____Comply _____Exception

SEALED MOISTURE BARRIER SEAMS

All moisture barrier seams shall be sealed with 2-layer Gore-Seam tape 1 inch in width compatible with the permanent waterproof-breathable lining using GORE Seam Sealing machines. One side of the tape shall be coated with a heat activated glue adhesive. The adhesive side of the tape shall be oriented toward the moisture barrier seam. The adhesive shall be activated by heat and the sealing tape shall be applied to the moisture barrier seams by means of pressure exerted by rollers for that purpose. The tape shall not be affected by weather, temperature or storage. The taped seams shall tested for waterproofing in accordance with Federal Test Std. #191A, Method #5516 when new and after 25 wash/dry cycles and dry cleanings. There shall be no appearance of water in the test area at 3 PSI for a period of 2 minutes.

_____Comply _____Exception

LINER ACCESS OPENING

There shall be a liner access opening at the bottom back of the coat to allow for inspection. The opening shall have one snap tab, slightly offset from the middle, to secure the liner to the outer shell.

_____Comply _____Exception

BODY

The body of the shell shall be constructed of three separate body panels consisting of two front panels and one back panel. The body panels shall be shaped so as to provide a tailored fit thereby enhancing body movement.

_____Comply _____Exception

SLEEVES

Sleeves shall be 2-piece, drop shoulder style, with FR Velcro® cuff closure and shoulder straps. To provide access to the shell for sewing on emblems on sleeves without damaging the waterproof-breathable permanent lining; there shall be a liner access opening at the bottom of the coat. There shall be a ½ inch wide ribbon loop inserted in the sleeve inseam of the lining to attach the optional fleece liner coat.

_____Comply _____Exception

SLEEVE CUFF ADJUSTABLE STRAPS

The sleeve shall terminate at the cuff with an adjustable strap. The strap shall be constructed of a double layer of outer shell material and measure approximately 1 inch wide by 3 inches long. There shall be a 1 inch wide by 2 inch long piece of hook fastener tape sewn to the underside of the strap and a corresponding 1 inch wide by 5 inch long piece of loop fastener tape sewn to the cuff to allow for adjustment.

_____Comply _____Exception

ZIP-UP COLLAR

The collar shall be of one-piece, three-layer design measuring approximately 3 inches high and graded to size. The outer layers shall consist of outer shell material, with a layer of specified moisture barrier sandwiched between (see Moisture Barrier section). The inside ply of moisture barrier shall be sewn to the outer shell at the edges only. The left and right side of the collar ends zip together as an extension of the complete coat closure system and are further secured with the double storm flap consisting of FR Velcro® fastener tape (see Storm Flap And Coat Front Closure System section). The multi-layered configuration shall provide protection from water and other common chemicals. There shall be angled collar pockets with diagonal openings at top corners of the collar constructed of a double layer of outer-shell material. (The corners of the optional Fleece Liner collar shall tuck into the openings for storage.)

Stitching of the collar shall be on the periphery along the top and front edges only to maintain waterproof integrity.

_____Comply _____Exception

INTERIOR HANGER LOOP

There shall be a collar hanger loop sewn to the center juncture of the collar. The hanger loop shall be constructed of shell material measuring approximately 2 inches long and ½ inches wide.

_____Comply _____Exception

EPAULETS

The permanent epaulets shall be 2 inches wide. The ends of the epaulets shall be sewn into the sleeve joining seam and the collar-joining seam of the coat. Epaulets shall be constructed of two plies of shell fabric. The epaulets shall be topstitched along the periphery and securely backtacked on all four openings leaving a minimum 2½ inch opening in the center for the user to clip on an external microphone or other equipment.

_____Comply _____Exception

DUAL ACTION POCKETS

The double entry pleated patch pockets shall measure approximately 9 inches wide by 8 ½ inches high. The front pocket shall be pleated to provide expansion. A pocket flap with mitered corners measuring approximately 7½ inches long 2¾ inches wide at the center, will cover the top opening of the front pocket. There shall be two 1 inch by 2 inch pieces of FR Velcro® at each flap and pocket corner for closure. The outside (top) edge of the pocket and pocket flap shall be securely backtacked.

Additionally, a separate hand warmer pocket compartment will be provided under the expandable cargo pocket. This compartment will be accessed from the rear of the pocket.

The handwarmer pocket shall be lined with fleece material for extra warmth.

_____Comply _____Exception

COAT FRONT FACINGS

The inside front facing shall have zipper tracks to accommodate a zip-out liner Coat. Facings shall be 1¼ inch wide. Liner zippers shall be set from the top of the collar and extend towards the hem.

_____Comply _____Exception

STORM FLAP

The front closure shall incorporate a double storm flap. There shall be top and under storm flaps both covering the front zipper. Both storm flaps shall be constructed of two layers of outer shell material, with a center layer of moisture barrier. The top flap shall measure 2½ inches wide and will be sewn on the left front body panel of the Coat. The under storm flap shall measure 1⅞ inches wide and will be sewn on the right side body panel. The storm flaps shall extend from the top of the collar to within 4 inches from the bottom of the coat .

_____Comply _____Exception

STORM FLAP AND COAT FRONT CLOSURE SYSTEM

The Coat shall be closed by means of a heavy duty zipper on the Coat fronts and FR Velcro® fastener tape on the storm flaps. The front zipper shall be delrin, one-way, size #5, and sized appropriately. The storm flaps shall close over the left and right Coat body panels and shall be secured to each other with flame resistant FR Velcro® fastener tape. A 1 inch by full length piece of loop fastener tape shall be installed along the underside of the top storm flap. A corresponding 1 inch by full length piece of hook fastener tape shall be sewn to the front of the under storm flap and positioned to engage the loop fastener tape when the storm flaps are closed over the front of the Coat.

_____Comply _____Exception

RETROREFLECTIVE FLUORESCENT TRIM & REINFORCED TRIM STITCHING

Each coat shall have an adequate amount of retroreflective fluorescent trim affixed to the outside of the outer shell. Trim shall not extend over the storm flap.

The retroreflective fluorescent trim shall be 3" lime/yellow 3M Scotchlite™.

The retroreflective fluorescent trim shall be **HV style**; trim stripes - around the bottom of the coat within approximately 1 inch of the hem, horizontally across the chest area approximately 3 inches below the armpit, around each sleeve below the elbow, around each sleeve above the elbow, across the shoulders on the back approximately 7½ inches below the neck seam, two vertical stripes on the back (one on each side) beginning at the top of the bottom band of trim and extending up to the bottom of the upper band of trim.

All reflective trim is secured to the outer shell with Nomex® thread, using a locking chainstitch protected by our exclusive TrimTrax® system. Developed exclusively by Globe Manufacturing Co., LLC. this strip of 3/32-inch strong, durable, flame resistant black Kevlar® cording provides a bed for the stitching along each edge of the retroreflective fluorescent trim surface and affords extra protection for the thread from abrasion. TrimTrax® has been proven to be 5 to 7 times more durable than single or even double rows of stitching, significantly reducing maintenance costs and providing more value and a longer service life. Two rows of stitching used to attach the trim in place of the TrimTrax® shall be considered an unacceptable alternative, since it has been proven that the two rows of stitching has insignificant impact on wear life. All trim ends shall be securely sewn into a seam for a clean finished appearance.

_____Comply _____Exception

SEWN ON RETROREFLECTIVE LETTERING

Each coat shall have 3" lime/yellow 3M Scotchlite™ lettering on Row A reading: KIRKLAND. In addition, each coat shall have the firefighter's name in 3" lime/yellow 3M Scotchlite sewn on the back just below the lower reflective trim as a hanging down name tag this name tag shall be detachable.

_____Comply _____Exception

EMBLEMS

Each coat shall have an American Flag sewn to the coat and located on right sleeve, military protocol.

_____Comply _____Exception

RADIO POCKET

Each coat shall have a pocket designed for the storage of a portable radio. This pocket shall be of box type construction, double stitched to the coat and shall have one drainage eyelet in the bottom of the pocket. The pocket flap shall be constructed of two layers of outer shell material measuring approximately 5 inches deep and ¼ inch wider than the pocket. The pocket flap shall be closed by means of FR Velcro® fastener tape. A 1½ inch by 3 inch piece of FR Velcro® hook fastener tape shall be installed on the inside of the pocket flap beginning at the center of the bottom of the flap. A 1½ inch by 3 inch piece of FR Velcro® loop fastener tape shall be installed horizontally on the outside of the pocket near the top center and positioned to engage the hook fastener tape. In addition, the entire inside of the pocket shall be lined with neoprene coated cotton/polyester impermeable barrier material to ensure that the radio is protected from the elements. The impermeable barrier material shall also be sandwiched between the two layers of outer shell material in the pocket flap for added protection. The radio pocket shall measure approximately 3 inches deep by 3.5 inches wide by 7 inches high and shall be installed on the left chest.

Note: radio pocket 6-inch and over in height requires trim.

Radio Pocket shall include a notch for radio antenna in the flap on the left side of the flap.

_____Comply _____Exception

MICROPHONE STRAP

A strap shall be constructed to hold a microphone for a portable radio. It shall be sewn to the coat at the ends only. The size of the microphone strap shall be 1 inch x 3 inches.

The microphone strap shall be mounted on the left chest above radio pocket and shall be constructed of double layer outer shell material.

_____Comply _____Exception

CERTIFICATION - THIRD PARTY TESTING AND LISTING PROGRAM

The manufacturer will furnish written certification of all materials utilized in the construction of the garments and the finished garments shall comply with the criteria as specified in the general provisions of this specification.

Protective Coats that are represented as being compliant with NFPA Standard 1999 Standard on Protective Clothing for Emergency Medical Operations and NFPA Standard 1951 Standard on Protective Clothing for Technical Rescue, current editions, shall be certified as so.

Certification shall be performed by Underwriters Laboratories, NO EXCEPTIONS. Such certification shall be denoted by the Underwriters Laboratories mark on the product label.

Successful bidder shall provide written certification that the protective Coat complies with the criteria of this section.

_____Comply _____Exception

BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS and QUALITY ASSURANCE

To assure that the protective Coats manufactured to this specification consistently meet established levels of quality control and are constructed to this specification, the manufacturer of the Coat shall be certified to ISO Standard 9001. No exceptions.

Successful bidder shall provide evidence of manufacturer's ISO 9001 certification prior to award of contract. No exceptions.

_____Comply _____Exception

DELIVERY INSPECTION

All garments will be inspected before acceptance by an authorized representative of the department for workmanship, appearance, and proper functioning of all components and conformance to all requirements of these specifications.

Should deficiencies be found, it will be the responsibility of the supplier to repack and return the units in question, make necessary corrections or replacements, and return the units to the Department for re-inspection and acceptance.

_____Comply _____Exception

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

Coat shall be manufactured in the United States.

_____Comply _____Exception

LABELS

Appropriate warning label(s) shall be permanently affixed to each garment. Additionally, the label(s) shall include the following information.

Compliance to NFPA Standard #1999 - current edition
Underwriters Laboratories classified mark
Manufacturer's name
Manufacturer's address
Manufacturer's garment identification number
Date of manufacture
Size
Fiber contents

_____Comply _____Exception

BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU:

The manufacturer is accredited by the Better Business Bureau, showing a commitment to ethical and principled business practices.

_____Comply _____Exception

DELIVERY AND PRODUCT SUPPORT:

Garments shall be delivered to City of Kirkland without shipping charge. Bidder shall measure each firefighter with actual garments for each to try on. Bidder shall be solely responsible for safe and comfortable fit. Bidder shall repair, alter or replace any garment failing to any part of this specification at no cost to the City of Kirkland.

Bidder shall maintain local dealership in King County, WA with full-time customer service staff for support of equipment. Dealership shall assist with care and cleaning technical support when needed.

_____Comply _____Exception

EXCEPTIONS TO SPECIFICATIONS

Any and all exceptions to the above specifications must be clearly stated for each heading. Use additional pages for exceptions, if necessary.

***RICE PROPOSAL FORM ***
JOB NUMBER 42-14-FB
KIRKLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT EMS/TECHNICAL RESCUE JACKETS
INVITATION FOR BIDS

Bidder Name _____

Bidder shall submit one original sealed bid. If Bidder wishes to submit alternate bids, copy the appropriate bid pages and submit alternate bids.

We agree to furnish the following items F.O.B. Destination, freight prepaid and allowed (included in unit price).

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	EXTENDED PRICE
1.	EMS/Technical Rescue Jacket per the General Specifications	90	EA	\$_____	\$_____

TOTAL \$_____

Note: The unit price and extended price are to be shown in the spaces provided. Extended price shall be determined by multiplying the unit price by the quantity.

Prompt Payment Discount _____% _____ days, net 30.

Payment discount periods of 20 calendar days or more will be considered in determining lowest responsible bid.

If a **volume discount** is offered, provide the order quantities at which the price break will be given and the corresponding percentage:

Quantity _____ Discount _____%

Quantity _____ Discount _____%

Quantity _____ Discount _____%

Signature of Authorized Representative

Date

Printed Name

Title

Phone Number

Email Address

**NONCOLLUSION AFFIDAVIT
EMS/Technical Rescue Jackets
JOB NO. 42-14-FB**

STATE OF WASHINGTON)
) SS
COUNTY OF KING)

The undersigned, being duly sworn, deposes and says that the person, firm, association, co-partnership or corporation herein named has not either directly or indirectly entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competitive bidding in the preparation and submission of a proposal to the Owner for consideration in the award of a contract on the improvements described as follows for the City of Kirkland:

Primary supplier of EMS/Technical Rescue Jackets.

FIRM NAME

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

Sworn to before me, this _____ day of _____, 2014.

Notary Public
in and for the State of Washington
Residing at _____

My Commission Expires: _____